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SUBJECT: ALLEGATION OF GENERAL OUAN'S INVOLVEMENT
IN DRUG TRAFFICKING

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1. AS A RESULT OF BANGKOK POST NOVEMBER 27 FRONT-PAGE ARTICLE, WHICH BROADCAST OVER RADIO SAME DAY (REF), BEARING BANNER HEADLINES: "FORMER LAO ARMY CHIEF TELLS ALL --OUAN: OPIUM CARRIER FOR THE KMT," EMBOFF AND NARCOTICS ATTACHE MET EVENING NOVEMBER 27 WITH GENERAL KHAMHOU AND COLONEL ARYA, CHIEF AND DEPUTY CHIEF OF RLG'S SPECIAL INVESTIGATION GROUP (GSI). EMBOFFS EXPRESSED MISSION'S CONCERN OVER THE POST STORY AND ASKED THAT GSI LOOK INTO MATTER IMMEDIATELY. KHAMHOU AND ARYA WERE SKEPTICAL THAT OUAN HAD ADMITTED CURRENT INVOLVEMENT IN NARCOTICS TRAFFICKING BUT PROMISED TO ASCERTAIN IMMEDIATELY WHAT OUAN SAID TO BANGKOK POST REPORTER. KHAMHOU ADDED THAT, IF OUAN ADMITS THAT HE IS DRUG TRAFFICKING IN CONTRAVENTION OF THE LAO ANTI-NARCOTICS LAW, HE WILL BE APPREHENDED.

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